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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE



DORSET  
COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUMS

CHARMINSTER AND FORSTON,

FOR THE YEAR 1866.

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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
COMMITTEE OF VISITORS  
OF THE COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUMS,  
FOR 1866.

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THE two Asylums at Charminster and Forston continue to be under the management of J. G. Symes, Esq., and to be conducted as they have been for many years past to the entire satisfaction of the Visiting Justices.

The Senior Medical Assistant, Mr. W. H. Clarke, resides at Forston.

The Wards and Offices, when visited as they have been from time to time, have been found in good order, and the Patients, mostly Chronic cases, appeared to be clean and well attended to.

On the repeated representations of the Commissioners in Lunacy, a second Medical Assistant, Dr. W. Pierce, was appointed to the Charminster Asylum, at a salary of £80 per annum. Dr. Pierce entered on the discharge of his duties at the end of last March, and has given satisfaction to the Visitors by his general conduct and attention to his charge.

In consequence of the increase in the Chaplain's duties, it was considered necessary that he should reside within a reasonable distance of the principal Asylum; and a house has accordingly been provided for him at Charminster, at a rent of £30 a year. The Rev. J. B. Hyson was appointed Chaplain, from the 1st of May last; but his residence not

being ready for him, he did not commence his duties at the Asylums until Midsummer. The Visitors have been much gratified with his attention to the Patients, and his readiness to promote their recreation and mental improvement.

The two head Attendants, on the Male and Female side, respectively, continue to justify, by their diligent discharge of duty, the confidence which the Visitors have now for so long a period reposed in them.

The Attendants, generally, have been careful and attentive to their duties; but the Visitors were under the necessity of fining in the penalty of £1, and discharging one Male Attendant for drunkenness; and of reprimanding another Attendant, and fining him in half of the costs of the recapture of a patient, who had been suffered to escape through his negligence.

The walls of the principal Asylum were in such a bad state from damp last winter, on the south and west fronts, that the Committee decided on casing them with cement, for which a contract was made with Mr. Gregory, of Dorchester, for the sum of £887 1s. 6d. This work was finished towards the end of October, and as far as tested by the experience of the last two months, it has proved a complete remedy for the evils complained of. The expense is in course of being defrayed from the Out-County Patients' Surplus Fund.

A new set of General Rules for the government of the two Asylums has been prepared, and, having been submitted for approval in accordance with the requirements of the statute, received the sanction of the Secretary of State on the 12th of June last.

Agreements have been entered into with the Visiting Justices of the Oxford and Berks Asylum, for the reception of 8 additional Male Patients at 12s. 6d. per week, and with the Visiting Justices of the Asylum at Abergavenny

for the reception of 30 additional Female Patients at 11s. 6d. per week.

A considerable increase has again taken place in the number of County Patients, though not so large as in the preceding year.

	Males.	Females.	Total.
The number in the two Asylums at the close of 1865, was	...     ...	...     ...	141 ... 152 ... 293
Admitted since	...     ...	...     ...	28 ... 31 ... 59
			<hr/>
			169 ... 183 ... 352
Discharged since	M.	F.	T.
...     ...	11 ...	15 ...	26
Died since	...     ...	10 ... 13 ...	23
		<hr/>	21 ... 28 ... 49
County Patients in the Asylums, December 31st	148	155	303
Out-County Pauper Patients at the close of 1865	...     ...	75 ... 30 ...	105
Admitted since	...     ...	12 ... 32 ...	44
		<hr/>	87 ... 62 ... 149
Discharged since	M.	F.	T.
6 ... 3 ...	6	3	9
Died since	...     ...	1 ... 0 ...	1
		<hr/>	7 ... 3 ... 10
Non-paupers, at the close of 1865	8 ... 6 ...	14	<hr/> 80 ... 59 ... 139
Admitted since	...     ...	3 ... 4 ...	7
		<hr/>	11 ... 10 ... 21
Discharged since	1 ... 1 ...	2	<hr/>
Died since	...     ...	1 ... 0 ...	1
		<hr/>	2 ... 1 ... 3
			<hr/> 9 ... 9 ... 18
Total in the two Asylums, December 31st	...	237 ... 223 ...	460

The health of the Patients has been good throughout the year.

The prevalence of erysipelas, which was noticed in the early part of last winter, and was attributed, as a possible cause, to the wetness of the walls in the wards, has not appeared again this fall.

The cost of maintenance has been kept at the uniform rate of 1s. per day, throughout the year.

The practice of purchasing stock and sheep, and slaughtering them on the premises, adopted for the past two years, has been adhered to; the meat has been always found to be of good quality, and it is believed that to this arrangement, the comparatively low rate of maintenance is in some measure to be attributed.

Two of the Commissioners in Lunacy visited the Asylums on the 14th and 15th February last. They speak in their Minute, "of the wards being in excellent condition, of the clothing being clean, and good, of the bedding being in the best order, of the food as excellent in quality, and well cooked, and the Patients as being, with the exception of two in seclusion from maniacal excitement, in a very quiet, comfortable condition."

In it they also remark on the discomfort arising from the rain penetrating through the walls, which it is believed has now been effectually remedied, and on the want of occupation and means of amusement for the Patients at Forston, and the less comfortable appearance of the wards there, since the removal of some articles of furniture and ornament to the new Asylum. They also make some few other suggestions in regard to internal management and furnishing. These matters are receiving the attention of the Visitors, and in several instances these recommendations are in course of being carried out.

Of the Loan of £41,000, borrowed from the Sun Insurance Office, on security of the County Rates, £6,100 had been paid off at Michaelmas last, leaving then due the sum of £34,900.

JOHN FLOYER,  
*Chairman.*

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

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*To the Chairman and Visitors of the Dorset County Asylums.*

Gentlemen,

Another year having passed it becomes my duty, respectfully, to submit my Annual Report with the usual statistical tables, to which are added numbers 3, 4, 5 and 7 in accordance with the suggestions of the Commissioners in Lunacy in their Report issued June, 1866.

On the 1st of January, 1866, there were in the two Asylums 397 Patients—215 Males and 182 Females.

During the past year there have been admitted from *this County*, in the ordinary way, 28 Males and 31 Females—total 59. From the Borough of Poole 2 Females. From the County Asylum of Oxford and Berks 9 Males, and from the Joint Counties Asylum, Abergavenny 3 Males, and 30 Females, making a total of admissions 40 Males and 63 Females—103.

There is nothing particularly worthy of mention respecting the admissions, excepting that the cases from our own County were the only ones where the least chance of recovery may be anticipated—those Patients sent from other Counties being all chronic and incurable. These facts will tend very much to lessen any good results which may fairly have been looked for in the new tables already referred to, both in this, and in any other Asylum where Chronic Patients are sent away for a few years only—in

our case materially lessening the per centage of recoveries on the admissions—unless care be taken to reckon the discharges on the average number admitted, *bonâ fide*, in the ordinary way from our own County.

Applications from several other Counties to receive their surplus Patients were necessarily refused. Both Asylums may now be considered full—yet retaining ample accommodation for those of our own County.

The state of health and bodily condition of those received here was on the whole moderately good, some few exceptions are sure to occur, depending greatly on the stage of the mental disease to which the Patient is reduced before being brought.

Seven *Non-Paupers* were admitted during the year—4 of whom were transferred from other Asylums—one having been insane 12, another 24, and the other two upwards of 10 years—not a very lively prospect therefore for recovery !

The discharges during the year were 34—21 were recovered, 11 relieved (several nearly well), and two not improved, whose friends were most anxious to have them under their own immediate care. All those discharged were Patients from this County.

The Obituary Table (page 32) requires but little comment. The number of deaths was 24; 11 males and 13 females. Their ages were two under 30 years; five under 40; four under 50; five under 60; three under 70; four under 80, and 1 above 80, giving a per centage on the average daily resident number of  $5\frac{1}{2}$ , which may be thankfully considered as satisfactory.

The causes of death were as in years past. No serious accident has happened; neither has it been thought necessary to hold any inquest.

In consequence of the repeated recommendations of the Commissioners, the Committee appointed a second

Assistant Medical Officer, in March last, to reside in the New Asylum ; it being thought necessary that neither Asylum should be left without a Medical Officer on the premises. A second Assistant certainly tends to relieve my anxiety when absent for a few hours or days, yet I have no doubt both establishments might have been fairly worked as before. Dr. Pierce entered on his duties soon after appointment, and I would hope that as he grows more thoroughly habituated to Asylum life, and all the little, almost numberless, intricacies necessary to good management, he will be able to render himself more and more useful, and qualify himself for a higher post.

Mr. Clarke continues at Forston, and throws much assiduity into his duties, and I trust each year will find him more able and willing in the service of the County. His salary having been raised during the year is a decided and tangible proof that good services are sure to be appreciated.

Our good and estimable old Chaplain, Mr. Clemetson, who retired from active duties in 1859, died in April. The late Chaplain, who was appointed in August, 1860, did duty here until May last, when the Rev. J. B. Hyson was elected in his stead. As far as I am able to form an opinion, I believe Mr. Hyson to be a valuable officer, as he not only gives his hearty attention to his spiritual ministration, but is always ready to co-operate in any harmless amusement for the comfort and instruction of our inmates.

The Chaplain now reads prayers every morning at half-past 8 ; a duty which I voluntarily performed for nearly 12 years, and one which I could not but reluctantly give up. In case of illness, unavoidable absence, or bad weather, I have promised, with the sanction of the Visitors, to read as usual for the Chaplain, who, residing upwards of

a mile from the Asylum, must necessarily now and then be prevented attending.

In the early part of the year, the Head Attendant, Mr. Guppy, was very ill for many weeks. He is a good and efficient Assistant, and I was rejoiced at his recovery. He has since completed his 21 years of service.

The Engineer, who has been here upwards of 20 years, unfortunately lost the use of his left eye in August last, and since that time has failed somewhat in health, and at times was very unable to fulfil his duties, especially when required in the well about the pumps. I have recommended his removal to the old Asylum at Forston, where the duties will be lighter. He will there act as Head Attendant in addition to his general duties as Engineer; and I believe will be benefitted himself in health, and continue to be an efficient and useful servant of the County.

The other Attendants and Servants have with few exceptions behaved satisfactorily.

The occupations and amusements vary but little. A large and valuable addition to the Library has been made, and the Chaplain takes care that the books and periodicals are regularly circulated.

The *gratuitous* supply of newspapers mentioned in former Reports is still kept up, and I believe the several Proprietors would rejoice did they know the amount of amusement and recreation thus afforded. I beg to tender my best thanks for this continued kindness to my Patients.

Our Farm Account at page 38 shews that we have fairly prospered.

The Fat Stock Account, page 39, will give the statistical results of the year's experiment. The additional duties of buying, slaughtering, &c., has been undertaken very cheerfully by those around us, and has not entailed any additional servant to the Asylum. We have enjoyed the best meat,

and I believe no waste has been made. It is gratifying to know that the cost of our good supply has been very much less than it would have been under contract.

The Cattle Plague running into different parts of this and the adjoining Counties stopped all our markets, but we have had no real difficulty in supplying our wants; although, of course, some additional trouble has been caused, as well as extra cost, in being obliged to buy at times more than was really required.

In conclusion, allow me to thank you very sincerely for your continued and unvarying kindness, and with true respect,

I remain,

Your obliged and faithful Servant,

J. GUSTAVUS SYMES,

*Medical Superintendent.*

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# FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE C H A P L A I N.

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*To the Chairman and Visitors of the Dorset County Asylums.*

Gentlemen,

In presenting my first Annual Report, I fear that my impressions and views in connexion with the work of the Chaplaincy may lack that correctness and form which a more lengthened experience is calculated to impart. However, there is so much in common with the ordinary ministerial office to be found in the Asylums, so much of distress, fear, doubt, and unconcern about the welfare of the soul, that I feel relieved from any excess of timidity on this particular. Respecting the duties devolving upon the Chaplain, I think I may say, that they have been all fulfilled ; the only exception being the formation of classes for the amusement and instruction of the Patients, which as yet has not been found to be quite practicable. But this in part has been accomplished, by the introduction during the winter season, of Lectures, illustrated by Diagrams and Sketches, and from these it is to be hoped benefits may result, greater than the mere interest and gratification evident at the time. The Band belonging to the Asylum has assisted on these occasions, by rendering in a most creditable manner, various and suitable pieces of Music. Our thanks are due to the Rev. C. W. Bingham, for the use of Diagrams illustrative of Missionary Work abroad, with which the course was commenced.

The Library, through your kind grant of £5 has been replenished with several instructive and entertaining books, which with the rest of the books forming the Library have been covered, numbered, and of the whole a catalogue taken.

Divine Service has been performed every Sunday, once at each Asylum. There has been a Service also every Wednesday at Forston, in the morning at half-past nine o'clock; and at Charminster in the evening at half-past six o'clock, beside prayers every morning at the principal Asylum at half-past eight o'clock.

The Services on the Sunday are the usual Morning and Evening Services of the Church. The Services on Wednesday partake of the character of a Cottage or School-room Lecture; while the Service in the morning of each day, maintains, as has been customary, the feature of family devotion.

Concerning the quietude and attention of all attending these Services, it is impossible to speak too highly. Would that every congregation of sane persons in the house of God were equally so. The average attendance at the Morning Service has been over 100; and at the Sunday Services an average number of about 180.

The Wards have been regularly visited every week, once at the least.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was celebrated on the first Sunday in November, when fourteen were present, seven of whom were patients. This matter was purposely delayed, in order that those willing to communicate might afford evidences of fitness; and it is satisfactory to find, concerning those Patients who were permitted to respond to the invitation, that not one has been betrayed into the slightest inconsistency, but on the contrary, the whole of them have conducted themselves most orderly

and properly. For the future it is purposed to have Holy Communion every two months.

With regard to results attending one's ministry, I am sure I may say that they have been encouraging. Duties are ours—results God's ; this I have felt, and hope to continue to feel, so that if nothing whatever had occurred of a cheering kind, I yet should consider my services effectual so long as the assurance of God runs, "my word shall not return unto me void."

Although this Asylum in common with all such institutions may in general be spoken of, as a

"Vast lazarus-house of many woes,  
When laughter is not mirth, nor thought the mind,  
Nor words a language, nor even men mankind ;"

yet is it a part of the Lord's vineyard in which are immortal souls, who, if at times are irresponsible agents, nevertheless are as much subjects of Divine compassion, and stand in as great need as their fellow-creatures of the application of those means which alone remove sin, and make meet for eternity.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient and faithful Servant,

JOHN B. HYSON.

## REPORT

OF THE

# COMMISSIONERS IN LUNACY,

*14th and 15th of February, 1866.*

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WE have visited the Asylums at Forston and Charminster, and have seen all the patients in both buildings.

They are 416 in number, *viz.* :—228 men and 188 women, of whom 221 men and 182 women are paupers, the rest are of the private class.

Forston contains 70 males and 25 females. We found them all free from excitement, and no one was in seclusion.

The patients were clean in person, and their clothing was good, with the exception of some of the shoes, which were old and thin, and quite unfit for use out of doors. Some thick boots are kept for the men who work on the land, but besides the shoes actually in use there was not a single pair in store. It is desirable also that a larger stock of general clothing should be kept in the wards at Forston.

Most of the patients now at Forston are imbecile or demented, with little capacity for useful occupation. We think, however, that greatly increased means for amusing them and rousing them from their apathy should be supplied, and that small matters of ornament and domestic furniture should at once be provided. The wards have now a very wan appearance. There are hardly any books, and only one pack of cards. Bedside carpets or mats are much needed in the male wards, where the floors of the rooms are composed of tiles. The means for personal

washing are insufficient, there being only four basins for the 70 male patients.

We pointed out to Mr. Clarke the impropriety of allowing two male patients to sleep unattended in one room, which has been the case in one instance, for two or three weeks past.

Owing to some defect in one of the boilers, several of the day-rooms were very cold, the thermometer marking only 45°. As these rooms contain fire places, we think that fires should be lighted in them whenever similar accidents to the heating apparatus occur.

The dinner given at Forston yesterday consisted of meat puddings, with carrots, but no bread was allowed. The food was of excellent quality and well cooked.

The present staff of attendants at Forston is as follows :—Four male attendants and two nurses ; there is also a blacksmith, who sleeps in the wards, and is present during meals.

On the women's side there is a head nurse or house-keeper and a kitchen maid.

There were two women secluded at Charminster, owing to maniacal excitement, but all the other patients were in a very quiet, comfortable condition, and they seemed generally contented. The clothing was clean and good, and all the wards in excellent condition.

The bedding throughout was in the best order, we suggest, however, that under blankets should be placed over the straw mattresses of patients of dirty habits.

The number of wet beds is now small, the return for last night shewing only three in the male and five in the female division.

There is still no night attendant for the women's wards. The staff at Charminster consists of one male and one female head attendants, 10 male attendants, and the porter

who assists them, eight nurses, three laundry maids, and three kitchen maids.

The attendance at Chapel seems to average about 150 on Sunday and 100 on week days, and the proportion of patients who are usefully employed is nearly the same as at the date of our colleague's visit. Since then, 111 males and 69 females have been admitted, of whom six men and three women were private patients; 15 men and 24 women have been discharged, of whom 28 were recovered, and 13 men and nine women have died from ordinary causes. The general health through the Winter has been very good. Last week 15 males and nine females are reported to have been under medical treatment. The records of seclusion shew that three men and six women have been secluded, the former on 29 and the latter on 115 occasions, all for acute mania.

Of the pauper patients now in the two asylums, 60 belong to the Counties of Oxford and Berks, 32 to the United Counties Asylum, at Abergavenny, and 18 to the Borough of Poole.

We have to recommend that rules for the guidance of the attendants in bathing the patients be printed, and hung in every bath-room, that thermometers be also kept in them, and that the shower baths be kept locked.

We are glad to learn that a second assistant medical officer is about to be appointed.

The greatest annoyance and discomfort has lately been experienced in consequence of the rain penetrating through all the western and southern portions of the building, the means hitherto taken to prevent this have not proved successful, and the subject will again be taken under consideration at the next meeting of the Visitors.

We are glad to be enabled again to report favorably of the condition and management of this establishment. We

think, however, that steps should at once be taken to restore Forston to its former comfortable state.

The various books are kept with much care and attention.

W. G. CAMPBELL,

ROBERT NAIRNE,

*Commissioners in Lunacy.*

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# STATISTICAL TABLES.

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TABLE I.—ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND DEATHS, DURING THE  
YEAR 1866.

				Male.	Female.	Total.
Remaining in the Asylum Jan. 1st, 1866	...			215	182	397
Admissions:		Male	Fem.	Total		
From this County first time...	21	23	44			
Re-admitted ... ... ...	7	8	15			
From Poole ... ... ...	0	2	2			
„ Oxford ... ... ...	9	0	9			
„ Abergavenny ... ... ...	3	30	33			
Total admissions ... ... ... ...				40	63	103
Total under care in 1866	...	...	...	255	245	500
Discharges:						
Recovered ... ... ...	9	12	21			
Relieved ... ... ...	6	5	11			
Not improved ... ... ...	1	1	2			
Died ... ... ...	16	18	34			
Died ... ... ...	11	13	24			
Total discharged and died ... ... ...				27	31	58
Remaining in Asylum, Dec. 31st, 1866...	...			228	214	442
Average number resident during the year ...				233	201	434

TABLE I\*.—NON-PAUPER LUNATICS.

	Male.	Female.	Total.
In the Asylums, January 1, 1866 ... ...	8	6	14
Admitted during the Year ... ...	3	3	7
Re-admitted ... ...		1 }	
Total number under treatment ... ...	11	10	21
Discharged:	Male.	Fem.	Total.
Recovered ... ..	1	0	1
Relieved ... ...	0	1	1
Died ... ...	1	0	1
	2	1	3
In the Asylums, Dec. 31, 1866 ... ...	2	1	3
Of this number 5 Males and 3 Females belong to Dorset.	9	9	18
" 3 "	Somerset.		
" 1 "	Oxford.		
" 1 "	Sussex.		
" 1 "	Hants.		
" 1 "	Essex.		
" 1 "	Devon.		
" 1 "	Norfolk.		

TABLE II.—AGES ON ADMISSION AND AT FIRST ATTACK.

Age.	On Admission.			At First Attack.		
	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
From Birth to 5 years ... ...	...	...	...	3	2	5
" 5 " 10 " ... ...	...	...	...	1	1	2
" 10 " 20 " ... ...	2	...	2	2	7	9
" 20 " 30 " ... ...	6	12	18	6	13	19
" 30 " 40 " ... ...	6	11	17	6	9	15
" 40 " 50 " ... ...	10	20	30	14	16	30
" 50 " 60 " ... ...	11	14	25	4	10	14
" 60 " 70 " ... ...	4	4	8	3	4	7
" 70 and upwards ... ...	1	2	3	1	1	2
Total ... ...	40	63	103	40	63	103

TABLE III.—SHOWING THE ADMISSIONS, RE-ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND DEATHS, FROM THE OPENING OF THE ASYLUM IN 1832 TO THE PRESENT DATE, DECEMBER 31, 1866.

				Male.	Female.	Total.
Admitted from 1832 to end of 1845 (including re-admissions)	...	...	...	218	283	501
Admitted from 1845 to December, 31, 1866—						
		Male.	Female.	Total.		
First time ...	...	503	530	1,033		
Re-admissions	...	85	114	199	588	644
						1,232
Total of cases admitted		...	...	806	927	1,733
Discharged—						
To 1845 ...	...	105	130	235		
Died ...	...	63	69	132		
		168	199	367		
Discharged to 1866—						
Recovered ...	...	187	258	445		
Relieved ...	...	31	44	75		
Not improved ...	...	37	50	87		
		255	352	607		
Died to 1866 ...	...	155	162	317		
		410	514	924		
Total Discharged and Died	...	...	...	578	713	1,291
Remaining in the Asylum, December 31, 1866	...	...	...	228	214	442

TABLE IV.—SHOWING THE ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND DEATHS, WITH THE MEAN ANNUAL MORTALITY AND PROPORTION OF RECOVERIES PER CENT. OF THE ADMISSIONS FOR EACH YEAR, COMMENCING 1846.

YEARS.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.			DIED.			Remaining 31st December each Year.			Average Num- ber Resident.			Percentage of Deaths on average Number Resident.			
	Males	Fem.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	
1846	29	27	56	8	6	14	1	1	1	9	17	26	62	86	148	59	83	142	
1847	24	20	44	9	14	23	1	1	1	12	19	21	66	83	149	64	89	153	
1848	18	30	48	13	15	28	2	2	2	5	8	7	64	83	147	64	87	151	
1849	21	23	44	6	11	17	1	2	2	11	7	18	67	88	155	66	87	153	
1850	23	28	51	13	13	28	2	2	2	7	6	6	13	68	95	163	70	90	159
1851	19	16	35	4	9	13	...	...	...	10	9	19	19	68	88	156	69	90	159
1852	21	17	38	8	6	14	7	3	10	4	3	7	67	87	154	67	89	156	
1853	15	12	27	3	4	7	...	...	5	5	5	12	8	20	70	82	153		
1854	23	17	40	6	9	15	...	...	5	5	5	11	8	20	70	83	153		
1855	23	24	47	11	11	22	3	3	3	11	7	4	11	15	20	70	82	154	
1856	26	38	64	14	17	31	4	3	3	8	7	4	11	15	20	70	82	154	
1857	23	28	51	10	13	23	1	3	3	11	7	4	11	15	20	70	82	154	
1858	20	32	52	12	18	30	...	...	2	2	2	10	7	10	72	89	161		
1859	15	24	39	5	17	22	2	2	2	11	7	7	8	7	7	70	88	165	
1860	25	29	54	9	13	22	2	2	2	11	7	7	8	7	7	70	88	165	
1861	22	24	46	9	15	24	1	3	4	11	7	7	11	15	20	70	82	154	
1862	17	17	34	5	12	17	2	2	2	11	7	7	11	15	20	70	82	154	
1863	44	76	120	10	10	20	2	2	2	11	7	7	11	15	20	70	82	154	
1864	34	26	60	10	16	26	2	2	2	11	7	7	11	15	20	70	82	154	
1865	106	73	179	11	17	28	3	6	9	11	8	19	21	13	24	22	142		
1866	40	63	103	9	12	21	7	6	13	11	13	24	22	142	23	30	142		
Totals and mean averages of 21 years.	588	644	1232	187	258	445	31	44	75	37	50	87	155	162	317	1866	2090	3956	

N.B.—In 1863 70 Chronic Incurable Patients were admitted from Salisbury.

Oxford, Abergavenny, and Poole.

Oxford and Abergavenny.

This will readily account for the small Percentage of Recoveries as compared with other years. The Discharges before 1846 were not divided, therefore I have not given them in this Table; the Summary shows them.

TABLE V.—SHOWING THE HISTORY OF THE ANNUAL ADMISSIONS, COMMENCING 1846, WITH THE DISCHARGES AND DEATHS, AND THE NUMBERS OF EACH YEAR REMAINING ON THE 31ST DECEMBER, 1866.

N.B.—Five Males and seven Females remain here, admitted before 1846

Making a total in the Asylums December 31st, 1866

The Admissions and Readmissions before 1846 were not given in the Registers, neither were the discharges divided; therefore the *Summary* has been divided into two distinct periods.

TABLE V.—*Continued.*

Summary of the Total Admissions from opening of the Asylum in 1832 to end of 1845.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Percentage of cases discharged, including the recovered, relieved, and not improved ... ... ...	48.16	45.93	46.96
Percentage of cases, dead... ... ...	28.89	24.38	26.34
Remaining ... ... ...	22.95	29.69	26.70
Totals ... ... ...	100.00	100.00	100.00

Summary of the Total Admissions, 1846 to 1866 inclusive.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Percentage of cases recovered ... ...	31.80	38.85	36.12
" Relieved ...	5.27	7.48	6.08
" Not improved ...	6.29	7.76	7.06
" Dead ...	26.36	25.15	25.74
" Remaining ...	30.28	20.76	25.
Totals ... ...	100.00	100.00	100.00

TABLE VI.—THE CIVIL CONDITION.

Civil Condition.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Married ... ... ... ... ...	16	25	41
Single ... ... ... ... ...	20	34	54
Widowed ... ... ... ... ...	4	2	6
Unknown ... ... ... ... ...	—	2	2
	40	63	103

\* TABLE VII.—SHOWING THE CAUSES OF DEATH DURING THE YEAR.

	Male.	Female.	Total.
Cerebral or Spinal Disease—			
Apoplexy and Paralysis ... ...	1	1	2
Epilepsy and Convulsions ... ...	3	4	7
General Paralysis ... ...	1	1	2
Maniacal and Melancholic Exhaustion or Decay... ... ...	2	6	8
Inflammation and other Diseases of the Brain, softening, tumors, &c. } ...	...	...	...
Thoracic Disease—			
Inflammation of the Lungs, Pleuræ and Bronchi ... ... ... }	...	...	...
Pulmonary Consumption ... ...	...	...	...
Diseases of the Heart, &c. ... ...	2	...	2
Abdominal Disease—			
Inflammation of Stomach, Intestines, or Peritonæum ... ... }	1	...	1
Dysentery and Diarrhœa ... ...	1	...	1
Fever ... ... ... ...	...	...	...
Erysipelas ... ... ... ...	...	...	...
Cancer ... ... ... ...	...	...	...
General Debility and Old Age ... ...	...	1	1
Suicide and Accidents ... ... ...	...	...	...
Total ... ... ... ...	11	13	24

\* Copied from Blue Book of Commissioners in Lunacy, page 117.

TABLE VIII.—FORM OF DISEASE ON ADMISSION.

Disease.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Mania—Recent ... ... ... ...	10	10	20
Chronic ... ... ... ...	11	26	37
With Epilepsy ... ... ... ...	3	4	7
Hysteria ... ... ... ...	...	1	1
Puerperal ... ... ... ...	...	2	2
Suicidal ... ... ... ...	1	3	4
General Paralysis ... ... ... ...	2	1	3
Melancholia ... ... ... ...	2	3	5
Suicidal ... ... ... ...	...	2	2
Dementia ... ... ... ...	5	6	11
Paralysis ... ... ... ...	3	1	4
Amentia ... ... ... ...	3	4	7
Total .. ... ... ...	40	63	103

TABLE IX.—ASSIGNED CAUSES OF MENTAL DISORDERS.

Causes.	Male.	Female.	Total.
A Fall ... ... ... ... ...	...	1	1
A Fall from a Tree, followed by Brain Fever	1	...	1
Anxiety ... ... ... ...	1	...	1
Bleeding from the Nose ... ... ...	...	1	1
Chronic Brain Disease ... ... ...	1	...	1
Congenital ... ... ... ...	4	1	5
Embarassed Circumstances ... ...	1	...	1
Epilepsy and Softening of Brain ... ...	...	1	1
Fractured Skull ... ... ...	1	...	1
Injury to Head ... ... ... ...	4	...	4
Intemperance ... ... ... ...	2	2	4
Jealousy ... ... ... ...	...	1	1
Loss of Wages ... ... ... ...	1	...	1
Losses in Monetary Affairs ... ... ...	...	1	1
Parturition ... ... ... ...	...	2	2
Trouble ... ... ... ...	...	1	1
Religious Despondency ... ... ...	2	3	5
Weakness of Brain ... ... ...	...	1	1
Not stated ... ... ... ...	22	48	70
<b>Total</b> ... ... ...	<b>40</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>103</b>

N.B.—Hereditary predisposition was assigned in many cases.

TABLE X.—GENERAL NUMBER OF FEMALE PATIENTS EMPLOYED DAILY.

Nature of Employment.	No.
In the House ... ... ... ...	3
" Kitchen ... ... ... ...	7
" Laundry ... ... ... ...	34
" Wards ... ... ... ...	50
Needlework ... ... ... ...	58
Knitting, &c. ... ... ...	3
Plaiting Straw, Hat and Bonnet Making ...	1
Shoe Binding ... ... ... ...	3
<b>Total</b> ... ... ...	<b>159</b>

TABLE XI.—THE AMOUNT OF WORK DONE BY THE FEMALE PATIENTS  
DURING THE YEAR 1866.

Articles.	In Store Dec. 1866	Made.	Repaired
Aprons ...	60	340	954
Ditto—coarse	9	152	111
Bed Ticks	44	102	164
Blankets	121	...	296
Braces	...	42	...
Capes...	...	...	...
Caps—day	23	384	2155
Dusters	...	152	...
Drawers—flannel	8	32	48
Gowns	...	218	1612
Handkerchiefs	52	272	386
Mattrass Cases	16	272	307
Neckerchiefs	182	684	545
Pillow Cases	42	420	351
Ditto Ticks	11	92	31
Petticoats—stuff	11	174	199
Ditto—flannel	14	238	315
Rugs	28	22	122
Shifts	18	436	2297
Shirts	49	566	2559
Sheets	131	368	477
Slop Frocks	23	162	517
Stays	9	115	104
Stockings (male) Knitted } Ditto (female) ... } pairs	240	4	3431
Table Cloths	...	49	164
Tea ditto...	63	240	183
Towels	34	304	107
Twine Nets	...	28	...
Ditto Fruit	...	2	...
Vests—flannel	43	186	242

TABLE XII.—GENERAL NUMBER OF MALE PATIENTS EMPLOYED DAILY.

Nature of Employment.	No.
On the Farm	48
In the Kitchen	3
," Tailors' Shop	2
," Shoemakers' ditto	7
," Painters' ditto	2
," Carpenters' ditto	4
," Engineers' Department	4
," Wards and Airing Courts, Picking Flock, &c.	34
," New Roads and Gardens	10
Total	114

TABLE XIII.—BOOTS AND SHOES MADE AND REPAIRED BY THE MALE PATIENTS.

	MALES.				FEMALES.			
	New.		Repaired.		New.		Repaired.	
1866.	B	S	B	S	B	S	B	S
First Quarter	Pairs	Pairs	Pairs	Pairs	Pairs	Pairs	Pairs	Pairs
Second Quarter	43	5	114	7	27	7	20	6
Third Quarter	57	2	112	9	29	10	40	11
Fourth Quarter	53	2	143	5	47	5	51	7
Total	62	1	193	6	16	45	58	14
	215	10	562	27	119	67	169	38

## TAILORS' SHOP.

327 Pairs Trouzers made.	1082 Repaired.
135 Waistcoats	135 ,
115 Jackets	278 ,

TABLE XIV.—THE OCCUPATION.

Males.			Females.		
Brick Maker	...	...	1		
Broom Maker	...	...	1		
Coach Painter	..	...	1		
Cooper	...	...	1		
Engine Driver	...	...	1		
Errand Boy	...	...	1		
Tanners	...	...	2		
Gardener	...	...	1		
Grocer	...	...	1		
Labourers	...	...	19		
Mason	...	...	1		
Tailors	..	...	2		
Thatcher	...	...	1		
Sawyer	...	...	1		
Soldier	...	...	1		
Yeoman (reduced)	...		1		
None	...	...	4		
Total	...	...	40		
			Wives, Daughters, or Wi- dows of:—		
			Carman	...	...
			Dyer	...	1
			Tanner	...	1
			Groom	...	1
			Keeper of Saw Mills	...	1
			Labourers	...	14
			Parish Clerk	...	1
			Pedlar	...	1
			Shoemakers	...	2
			Tailor	...	1
			Warder (prison)	...	1
			Woodman	...	1
			Twine Braiders	...	2
			Glovers	...	3
			Servants	...	15
			Dress Makers	...	4
			Housewife	...	1
			None	...	12
			Total	...	63

TABLE XV.—Discharges.

No. in Register.	Age and Civil State on Admission.	Sex.	Length of Time Insane on Admission.			Duration in Asylum.			Assigned Cause of Insanity.			Form of Mental Disorder.		
			Y.	M.	D.	Y.	M.	D.	Y.	M.	D.	Y.	M.	D.
1430	51 years—Married	Male	...	0	2	22	10	3	18	...	...	...	...	...
1644	29 ...	Married	...	0	1	0	0	5	4	After confinement	...	...	...	Mania (much depression.)
1635	73 ...	Married	...	0	4	0	0	8	1	Unknown	...	...	...	Mania.
1588	54 ...	Single	...	0	6	0	0	10	29	Unknown	...	...	...	Mania (chronic.)
1511	48 ...	Married	...	0	6	0	0	11	17	Not known	...	...	...	Mania.
1517	19 ...	Single	...	0	0	0	0	7	0	Studying	...	...	...	Mania.
1597	40 ...	Married	...	0	0	0	0	8	9	Hereditary	...	...	...	Mania.
1630	54 ...	Married	...	0	2	0	0	6	17	Functional disturbance	...	...	...	Melancholia.
1646	50 ...	Married	...	0	0	0	0	4	5	Religious excitement	...	...	...	Mania.
1649	32 ...	Married	...	0	2	0	0	3	9	Unknown	...	...	...	Mania.
1658	33 ...	Married	...	0	1	0	0	2	26	Religious excitement	...	...	...	Melancholia.
1485	16 ...	Single	...	0	0	0	0	1	3	Congenital	...	...	...	Mania.
1674	57 ...	Married	...	0	0	0	0	7	0	Loss of wages	...	...	...	Mania (recent.)
1486	50 ...	Married	...	0	0	0	0	1	3	Unknown	...	...	...	Melancholia.
1676	35 ...	Widowed	...	0	0	0	0	7	0	Intemperance	...	...	...	Mania.
1678	65 ...	Married	...	0	0	0	0	21	0	Not known	...	...	...	Mania.
1484	30 ...	Married	...	0	1	0	0	1	5	Unknown	...	...	...	Mania.
1521	33 ...	Single	...	0	0	0	0	21	1	Excitement	...	...	...	Mania.
1558	40 ...	Married	...	0	0	0	0	7	0	Unknown	...	...	...	Mania.
1709	18 ...	Single	...	0	0	0	0	0	0	Idioticy.	...	...	...	Idioticy.
1647	48 ...	Widowed	...	0	0	0	0	7	0	Unknown	...	...	...	Melancholia.
1494	25 ...	Single	...	0	0	0	0	0	11	Not known	...	...	...	Mania.
1496	39 ...	Female	...	0	0	0	0	1	6	Congenital	...	...	...	Idioticy.
1497	31 ...	Male	...	0	0	0	0	1	6	Not known	...	...	...	Mania.
1498	54 ...	Female	...	0	0	0	0	1	6	Not stated	...	...	...	Mania.
1640	56 ...	Male	...	0	0	0	0	1	6	Unknown	...	...	...	Mania.
1706	24 ...	Female	...	0	0	0	0	1	15	Not known	...	...	...	Mania and Hysteria.
1681	47 ...	Male	...	0	0	0	0	1	6	Excessive drinking	...	...	...	Mania.
1741	43 ...	Male	...	0	0	0	0	1	17	Unknown	...	...	...	Not Insane.
1698	43 ...	Female	...	0	0	0	0	1	9	General debility	...	...	...	Mania.
1705	48 ...	Male	...	0	0	0	0	1	10	Not stated	...	...	...	Melancholia.
1687	51 ...	Female	...	0	0	0	0	3	7	Female	...	...	...	Melancholia.
1487	35 ...	Male	...	0	0	0	0	1	8	Not stated	...	...	...	Mania.
1660	25 ...	Female	...	0	0	0	0	1	14	Domestic trials	...	...	...	Mania.

TABLE XVI.—OBITUARY.

No. in Admission Book.	Age at Death and Civil state.	Sex.	Length of time Insane when Admitted.	Form of Mental Disease and Bodily Condition on Admission.				Apparent Causes of Death.			
				Y.	M.	D.	Y.	M.	D.	Y.	M.
1568	33 years—Single	Male	33	0	0	29	Idiotcy—Moderately well	...	...	...	...
1560	67	Married	0	0	14	22	Melancholia—Very weak	...	...	...	...
1632	42	Single	2	0	0	24	Dementia—General Paralysis—very feeble	...	...	...	...
1343	29	Single	0	0	6	3	Mania and Epilepsy—Well	...	...	...	...
1443	31	Married	0	0	21	16	Mania (acute)—two small wounds on left foot—	...	...	...	...
1501	71	Married	Female	0	3	0	Moderately well	...	...	...	...
931	56	Married	Female	0	0	7	Mania—Weak and out of health; afflicted with partial blindness	...	...	...	...
1440	36	Single	Female	0	0	14	Mania (acute)—Ankles and arms much bruised from strait waistcoat—Fair health	...	...	...	...
1656	64	Married	Male	0	0	14	Idiotcy—Fair health	...	...	...	...
1432	72	Widowed	Male	0	4	0	Dementia—Weak and out of health	...	...	...	...
1513	83	Widowed	Male	Many years.	0	1	Dementia—Well	...	...	...	...
1381	59	Married	Female	0	4	11	Dementia—Weak	...	...	...	...
1393	42	Single	Female	0	2	5	Mania—Well	...	...	...	...
1251	54	Widowed	Female	18	0	2	Mania—Moderately well	...	...	...	...
1683	59	Married	Male	0	3	4	Mania—Great depression, weak, emaciated, and very much out of health	...	...	...	...
1124	78	Married	Female	3	0	7	Mania—Tolerably well	...	...	...	...
1693	49	Married	Female	0	0	21	Dementia—Well, but weak	...	...	...	...
980	65	Married	Female	0	3	0	Melancholia—Exceedingly thin, weak and feeble	...	...	...	...
1160	71	Widowed	Female	0	0	7	Mania—Weak and out of health	...	...	...	...
1691	29	Married	Male	0	1	2	Mania—In good health	...	...	...	...
1469	41	Married	Female	0	0	14	Mania—Incipient—General Paralysis, feeble	...	...	...	...
1463	39	Married	Male	0	0	28	Mania—In good health	...	...	...	...
1201	33	Single	Female	11	6	0	Dementia and Epilepsy—very weak and generally reduced	...	...	...	...
539	56	Single	Male	0	0	7	Mania—Disordered liver	...	...	...	...

TABLE XVII.\*—SHOWING THE LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN THOSE DISCHARGED RECOVERED AND IN THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE YEAR 1866.

Length of Residence.	Recovered.			Died.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Under 1 Month ... ...						
From 1 to 3 Months ...	1	...	1	1	...	1
" 3 " 6 " ...	3	5	8	3	2	3
" 6 " 9 "	1	3	4	...	...	3
" 9 " 12 "	2	2	4	1	1	2
" 1 " 2 Years ...	2	2	4	3	2	5
" 2 " 3 "	2	2	4	1	2	3
" 3 " 5 "	...	...	...	1	2	3
" 5 " 7 "	...	...	...	...	1	1
" 7 " 10 "	...	...	...	...	2	2
" 10 " 12 "	...	...	...	...	1	1
" 12 " 15 "	...	...	...	...	2	2
" 15 " 20 "	...	...	...	...	...	...
" 20 " 30 "	...	...	...	...	...	...
" 30 " 40 "	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ... ...	9	12	21	11	13	24

\* Copied from the Commissioner in Lunacy's Blue Book, page 117.

TABLE XVIII.—AGES OF PATIENTS RESIDENT JANUARY 1ST, 1867.

Age.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Under 10 Years ... ...	1	3	4
From 10 to 20 Years ... ...	4	3	7
" 20 " 30 " ... ...	38	21	59
" 30 " 40 " ... ...	49	44	93
" 40 " 50 " ... ...	44	50	94
" 50 " 60 " ... ...	49	55	104
" 60 " 70 " ... ...	28	22	50
" 70 " 80 " ... ...	11	16	27
" 80 " 90 " ... ...	4	...	4
Total ... ...	228	214	442

TABLE XIX.—THE AGES OF THOSE WHO DIED DURING THE LAST TEN YEARS.

YEAR.	From 10 years to 20 years.	From 20 years to 30 years.	From 30 years to 40 years.	From 40 years to 50 years.	From 50 years to 60 years.	From 60 years to 70 years.	From 70 years to 80 years.	From 80 years to 90 years.	From 90 years and upwards.	Total.
1857	...	...	2	3	4	2	4	...	...	15
1858	...	...	2	1	1	3	3	...	...	10
1859	...	1	2	1	1	2	...	1	...	8
1860	...	...	1	4	1	1	2	...	...	9
1861	...	...	2	...	6	2	2	...	...	12
1862	...	3	1	1	2	2	2	...	...	11
1863	...	1	1	4	2	1	...	...	...	9
1864	2	1	5	5	3	5	6	...	...	27
1865	...	2	4	5	1	2	4	1	...	19
1866	...	2	5	4	5	3	4	1	...	24
	2	10	25	28	26	23	27	3	...	144

The per Centage of Deaths for the *past year*, on the average daily number resident, was  $5\frac{1}{2}$ ; and for the last ten years  $6\frac{1}{2}$  per Cent; twenty years rather over  $7\frac{1}{4}$  per Cent.

TABLE XX.—RETURN AS TO THE MENTAL CONDITION, &c., OF PAUPER PATIENTS JANUARY 1ST, 1867.

					Male.	Female.	Total.
Probably Curable	...	...	...	...	9	8	17
,, Incurable	...	...	...	...	219	206	425
	Total	...	...		228	214	442

(Doubtful cases of recovery are included in the list of those probably curable.)

TABLE XXI.—DESCRIPTION OF CHRONIC AND PROBABLY INCURABLE CASES.

Mental Condition.	Excitable, Violent, or Dangerous.						Quiet and Harmless.					
	Total.			Of whom Epileptic.			Total.			Of whom Epileptic.		
	M	F	Tot.	M	F	Tot.	M	F	Tot.	M	F	Tot.
Idiot or Imbecile from birth or infancy ... }	6	3	9	2	2	4	7	5	12	1	3	4
Imbecile or Demented, and not included in the above ... ... ... }	16	19	35	4	4	8	31	35	66	9	4	13
Other forms of Mental Unsoundness ... ... }	66	57	123	6	3	9	93	87	180	3	7	10
Total ... ...	88	79	167	12	9	21	131	127	258	13	14	27

Of the above 12 Males and 5 Females are affected with general Paralysis.

TABLE XXII.—TOTAL ACCOMMODATION FOR PAUPER PATIENTS  
1ST JANUARY, 1867.

Beds.	Male Division.	Female Division.	Total.
In Single Rooms ... ... ... ...	69	64	133
In Associated Dormitories ... ... ...	180	178	358
<b>Total</b> ... ...	<b>249</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>491</b>

TABLE XXIII.—NUMBER OF LUNATICS, IDIOTS, AND IMBECILES CHARGEABLE  
TO THE DIFFERENT UNIONS OF THE COUNTY—NOT IN ANY ASYLUM, ON  
JANUARY 1ST, 1867.

Unions.	No. of Lunatics.	No. of Idiots.	No. of Imbeciles.
Axminster ... ... ... ... ...	1	7	...
Beaminster ... ... ... ... ...	1	8	5
Blandford ... ... ... ... ...	2	15	...
Bridport ... ... ... ... ...	7	1	2
Cerne ... ... ... ... ...	...	9	...
Dorchester ... ... ... ... ...	...	5	3
Mere ... ... ... ... ...	...	3	1
Poole (including the Borough of Poole) ...	...	31	...
Shaftesbury ... ... ... ... ...	1	13	...
Sherborne ... ... ... ... ...	...	8	...
Sturminster ... ... ... ... ...	...	5	...
Wareham ... ... ... ... ...	...	22	...
Weymouth ... ... ... ... ...	6	11	4
Wimborne ... ... ... ... ...	...	6	...
Wincanton ... ... ... ... ...	...	3	...
<b>Total at large</b> ... ... ...	<b>18</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>15</b>
Lunatics ... ...	18		
Idiots ... ...	147		
Imbeciles ... ...	15		
<b>Total</b> ...	<b>180</b>		

TABLE XXIV.—*Contract Prices of the Principal Articles of Consumption for 1866.*

	First Quarter.	Second Quarter.	Third Quarter.	Fourth Quarter.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Beef	{ Fat Stock bought and slaughtered at home	Cost ...	... (Vide page 39)	5 <i>5</i> <sup>8</sup>
Mutton				
Bread, best	... ...	... 0	0 0	0 0
Cheese, best Dorset	... ...	5 <i>4</i> 0	2 5	2 0
Ale	... ...	2 0	0 0	0 0
Oatmeal	... ...	0 0	8 0	8 0
Peanmeal	... ...	1 1	1 0	1 4
White Sugar	... ...	0 18	0 18	0 18
Brown ditto	... ...	0 0	0 0	0 0
Rice, Patna	... ...	0 5	0 6	0 5 <i>1</i>
Soda	... ...	0 0	0 0	0 0
Starch	... ...	0 0	0 5	0 4 <i>2</i>
Soap, best London	... ...	0 15	0 15	0 15
Tobacco	... ...	0 4	0 4	0 4
Snuff	... ...	0 0	0 6	0 6
Candles, Dips	... ...	0 0	0 6	0 6
Coals, best Wallsend	... ...	0 1	8 0	1 8
" Radstock, Screened	... Small	0 18	6 0	18 1
" "	... ...	11 9	11 9	12 1

## FARM ACCOUNT.

1866.—Jan. 1st.

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RECEIVED.

RECEIVED.	1866.		
	£	s.	d.
Skins, Bones, &c.	15	0	8
Supplied Asylum—	...	...	...
Milk	148	19	1
Butter	7 $\frac{1}{4}$	11	9
Cheese	3	14	2
Eggs and Poultry	16	0	0
Vegetables	254	12	0
Beef, Veal, and Pork	365	14	6
Fruit	7	0	0
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Dec. 31st.	870	11	6
Live Stock—			
12 Cows	{	{	{
5 Heifers			
1 Calf			
1 Sheep			
87 Pigs			
Poultry			

Implements	£822 19 0
Balance	...
1,402 17 2	£579 18 2
822 19 0	

Balance

CASH ACCOUNT

Received for Skins and Bones	15	0	8	Paid for Corn, Straw, &c., &c.
Balance from Maintenance Account	291	18	4	
				306 19 0
				£306 19 0

# FAT STOCK ACCOUNT.

	STOCK PURCHASED.	ACTUAL COST.			Weight in Carcase.	
		Beasts.	Sheep.	Calves.	lbs.	
1867—First Quarter	...	...	12 10 9 13	9 17 36 39	...	264 1 6 260 16 0 268 14 6 333 19 0
Second Quarter	...	...	...	...	...	...
Third Quarter	...	...	...	...	...	8,556
Fourth Quarter	...	...	...	...	...	11,173
Total	...	...	44	101	2	37,774
Paid—Cake and Hay.	...	...	...	...	30 0 0	
Sundries	...	...	...	...	4 1 0	
				...	...	34 1 0
Deduct Cash for Skins and Bones	...	...	...	...	...	1,161 12 0
Fat, Heads, &c., called Fifth Quarter—(estimated as worth)	...	...	...	...	...	27 10 6
				...	...	1,134 1 6
				...	...	141 19 6
						£992 2 0

The prime cost as above, including Cake and Hay, would be rather over 7½d. per lb., but deducting Cash received and the estimated worth of the Fifth Quarter, the cost is reduced rather more than three farthings per lb., or as nearly as possible 6½d. per lb. on the whole amount for the year.

## DIETARY.

BREAKFAST	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Males—6 ozs. bread, 1 quart gruel.} \\ \text{Females—5 ozs. bread, } 1\frac{1}{2} \text{ pint gruel.} \end{array} \right\}$ Daily.
SUPPER .....	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Males—8 ozs. bread, 2 ozs. cheese, or } \frac{1}{2} \text{ oz. butter;} \\ \text{beer, } \frac{1}{2} \text{ pint.} \\ \text{Females—6 ozs. bread, 2 ozs. cheese, or } \frac{1}{2} \text{ oz.} \\ \text{butter; 1 pint tea or coffee.} \end{array} \right\}$ Daily.
DINER.....	<p>SUNDAY—16 to 18 ozs. suet pudding, with treacle sauce, and the addition of fruit in summer, and dried fruit in winter—<i>Males and Females</i>.</p> <p>MONDAY—5 ozs. meat, vegetables not less than 1 lb.—<i>Males and Females</i>.</p> <p>TUESDAY—2 pints soup, 2 ozs. meat, 5 ozs. bread—<i>Males</i>; 1½ pint soup, 4 ozs. bread—<i>Females</i>.</p> <p>WEDNESDAY—Meat pie, 12 ozs.—<i>Males</i>; 10 ozs.—<i>Females</i>. Vegetables as on Monday.</p> <p>THURSDAY—As on Monday.</p> <p>FRIDAY—3 ozs. meat, vegetables as on Monday.</p> <p>SATURDAY—As on Wednesday.</p>

Half-pint of ale daily for dinner, except on *Tuesday*, both Males and Females.

Women working in laundry have tea and bread and butter twice a day extra on three washing days, and once a day on three ironing days; also bread and cheese and ½-pint of ale for lunch.

Women scrubbing in wards have bread and cheese daily for lunch, with ½-pint of ale. Men the same.

Men working in the shops or on the farm, have ½-pint ale extra at eleven and four o'clock.

Sick Diet as considered necessary by the Medical Superintendent.

Tobacco and Snuff distributed as directed.

Attendants and Nurses are all allowed 7lbs. bread, ½-lb. butter, 2 ozs. tea, and 8 ozs. sugar—in addition they dine in the Servants' Hall, without restriction as to quantity of meat, vegetables, &c.; and for supper, bread and cheese *ad libitum*. Males: 2 pints ale. Females: 1 pint daily.

N.B.—“All meat is weighed after being cooked, and free from bone.”

The Milk Gruel is made with best oatmeal and milk. Meat Pie contains 3 ozs. of meat without bone. Soup is made from liquor of boiled meat, thickened with Pearl Barley, Rice, Pea Meal, to which are added Vegetables, Herbs, &c.

# STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

OF THE

## Receipts and Payments

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1866.

## RECEIPTS.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Balance in Treasurer's hands, 31 Dec., 1865 ...	43 10 10	
FROM INTEREST ON MONIES INVESTED :		
To One Year's Interest on £4,500, £3 per Cent. Consols ... ... ... ..	135 0 0	
„ PARISHES :		
To amount received from Parishes for Pauper Patients ... ... ... ...	5,403 12 5	
To amount received from County Treasurer for ditto ... ... ... ...	168 1 0	
	<hr/>	5,571 13 5
To amount paid over to this Account from the Non-Pauper and Out County Patients' Account for their maintenance according to the Weekly rate ... ... ... ..	2,425 6 0	
MISCELLANEOUS, <i>viz</i> :		
House Tax returned ... ... ... ..	1 2 6	
Sale of Rags ... ... ... ..	3 13 0	
	<hr/>	4 15 6
To amount due from Unions... ... ... ..	13 16 0	
TOTAL ...	£8,194 1 9	

## ACCOUNT.

## PAYMENTS.

				£ s. d.	£ s. d.
SALARIES AND WAGES:—					
Officers' Salaries ...	...	...	...	765 1 2	.
Servants' Wages ...	...	...	...	859 10 9	
				<hr/>	1,624 11 11
PROVISIONS:—					
37,932 lbs. Meat ...	...	...	...	1,168 17 6	
155,738 lbs. Bread ...	...	...	...	875 5 1	
26,513 lbs. Flour ...	...	...	...	185 2 0	
1,960 lbs. Peas ...	...	...	...	16 13 0	
1,344 lbs. Rice ...	...	...	...	11 2 0	
12,432 lbs. Oatmeal ...	...	...	...	124 19 0	
22,741½ lbs. Cheese ...	...	...	...	420 0 8	
198 lbs. Tobacco and Snuff ...	...	...	...	43 4 0	
444 lbs. Lump Sugar ...	...	...	...	10 10 6	
1,960 lbs. Moist ditto ...	...	...	...	36 15 0	
1,259 lbs. Tea and Coffee ...	...	...	...	128 5 2	
Vinegar, Salt, Mustard, Spices, Currants, Raisins, Arrowroot, and Miscellaneous Grocery ...	...	...	...	71 5 9	
23,640½ gallons. Ale, Beer, and Porter ...	...	...	...	808 14 4	
				<hr/>	3,900 14 0
SURGERY AND DISPENSARY:—					
Wines and Spirits ...	...	...	...	50 2 0	
Drugs, Surgery, &c. ...	...	...	...	61 14 10	
				<hr/>	111 16 10
NECESSARIES:—					
14,103 lbs. Soap and Soda ...	...	...	...	140 12 6	
342 lbs. Starch and Blue ...	...	...	...	7 17 6	
727½ Candles ...	...	...	...	20 15 9	
702 tons 15 cwt. Coals and Wood ...	...	...	...	567 19 1	
Blacking and Miscellaneous ...	...	...	...	23 3 0	
				<hr/>	760 7 10
Brooms, Brushes, Cooperage, &c. ....	...	...	...	44 6 0	
Linen and Clothing ...	...	...	...	744 8 11	
Bed-furniture and Bedding ...	...	...	...	100 13 8	
Straw ...	...	...	...	58 10 0	
Tin, Earthenware, and Ironmongery ...	...	...	...	200 6 1	
Printing, Stationery, Advertisements, Postage, &c.				95 5 7	
Furniture, &c. ...	...	...	...	66 18 5	
Messrs. Finch & Lush, for a Criminal Patient ...	...	...	...	40 6 0	
Removing Patients when discharged ...	...	...	...	16 9 11	
Other Journies ...	...	...	...	7 8 6	
Coffins and Funerals ...	...	...	...	52 12 6	
Postmaster, for Private Letter Bag ...	...	...	...	1 1 0	
Carriage of Letter Bag and Driver ...	...	...	...	1 0 10	
Expenses recapturing Patients who escaped ...	...	...	...	4 17 0	
Sundry payments for Poles, Timber, Gravel, Lime, Horse Hire, &c. ...	...	...	...	48 9 7	
Expenses of the Patients' Treat at Christmas ...	...	...	...	6 7 0	
Cash Paid to Farm Account ...	...	...	...	291 18 4	
				<hr/>	8,178 9 11
Balance ...	...	...	...		15 11 10
					£8,194 1 9

## BILLS PAID FROM THE COUNTY RATES.

<i>Dr.</i>	RECEIPTS.	<i>Cr.</i>	PAYMENTS.
To Cash received of the County Treasurer	... 227 15 9		
		By Rent of Land at Forston ...	.. 19 13 4
		" Rates, Taxes, and Tithes ...	.. 26 6 5
		" Repairs, Timber, and other Materials, &c. ...	130 1 9
		" Fire Insurance (New Asylum) ...	.. 12 7 3
		" Printing Report ...	.. 11 11 0
		" Ditto New Rules ...	.. 12 16 0
		" Half Year's Rent of Chaplain's House ...	15 0 0
			<hr/>
			£227 15 9
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## THE CHARITY ACCOUNT.

<i>Dr.</i>	RECEIPTS.	<i>Cr.</i>	PAYMENTS.
To Balance in Dorchester Savings Bank, 31st December, 1865	... 292 18 1	By Balance in Savings Bank ...	... ..
,, One Year's Interest	... 8 16 9		£301 14 10
			<hr/>
			£301 14 10
			<hr/>

## THE MEAT ACCOUNT.

<i>Dr.</i>	<i>RECEIPTS.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>	<i>PAYMENTS.</i>
To Cash received from Maintenance Account		£	<i>s.</i> <i>d.</i>
to buy Meat	... ...	1,138	18 6
,, Cash received for Skins	... ...	25	10 0
,, , Bones	... ...	2	0 6
			<hr/>
		£1,166	9 0

## THE FARM CASH ACCOUNT.

THE NON-PAUPER AND OUT COUNTY PATIENTS' ACCOUNT.

<i>Dr.</i>	<i>RECEIPTS.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>	<i>PAYMENTS.</i>
To Balance in Treasurer's hands, 31st Dec., 1865	£ 126 2 5		By Cash paid to Maintenance Account £ 2,425 6 0
,, Cash received for Non-Pauper Patients	434 12 10		,, " Building Account 1,627 14 3
,, Pauper Patients from other Counties and Boroughs	... ... 3,528 14 5		,, Cash Refunded on the Discharges and Deaths of Patients ... 8 14 5
	4,089 9 8		<hr/>
,, Amount due from Unions	... ... 7 0 2		Balance in Treasurer's hands ... 27 15 0
	4,089 9 8		Due from Unions ... ... 7 0 2
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	£4,096 9 10		34 15 2
	<hr/>		<hr/>

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DEPOSIT MONEY ACCOUNT.

<i>Dr.</i>	<i>RECEIPTS.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>	<i>PAYMENTS.</i>
To Balance in Treasurer's hands, 31st Dec., 1865	£ 42 0 0		By Deposit Money Refunded on Removals and Deaths ... ... ... ... 12 0 0
,, Deposit Money received on the Admission of Patients ... ... ... ...	21 0 0		Balance in Treasurer's hands ... ... ... ... 51 0 0
	<hr/>		<hr/>
	£63 0 0		£63 0 0
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THE BUILDING ACCOUNT.

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Dr.	RECEIPTS.	Cr.	PAYMENTS.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Cash received from the Non-Pauper and Out County Pauper Accounts ...	1,627 14 3	By Balance due to Treasurer, 31st Dec., 1865	378 18 2
Balance due to Treasurer ...	640 1 2	,, Cash paid for Re-Furnishing Forston Asylum, and other Furniture for the New Asylum	526 8 5
		,, Cash paid Builders, &c.	870 18 11
		,, Engineering	433 0 9
		,, Fruit Trees	13 5 6
		,, Patent Locks	38 0 8
		,, Interest to Bankers on Over-drawn Account	7 3 0
			<hr/>
			1,888 17 3
			<hr/>
			£2,267 15 5

## SUMMARY OF THE RECEIPTS AND

## RECEIPTS.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balances in hand, 31st Dec., 1865, on Maintenance			
Account	... ... ... ...	43 10 10	
,, Non-Pauper Account	... ...	126 2 5	
,, Money Deposited	... ... ...	42 0 0	
,, Charity Account	... ... ...	292 18 1	
		504 11 4	
To Cash received, Dividends on £4,500 Consols ..		135 0 0	
,, Charity Account		8 16 9	
,, from Parishes for Patients	... ...	5,403 12 5	
,, „ County Treasurer ditto	... ...	168 1 0	
,, „ for County Bills		227 15 9	
,, on Account of Non-Pauper and Out County Pauper Patients	... ...	3,963 7 3	
,, for Deposit Monies ditto	... ...	21 0 0	
Miscellaneous	... ... ... ...	4 15 6	
		9,932 8 8	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	...	10,437 0 0
To amount due from Unions	... ... ...		20 16 2
,, Balance due to Treasurer on Building Account			640 1 2
			<hr/>
			£11,097 17 4

## PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1866.

## P A Y M E N T S.

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Balance due to Treasurer on Building Account,							
31st December, 1865	...	...	...		378	18	2
,, Cash paid for Salaries and Wages	...	...	1,624	11	11		
,, , Provisions	...	...	3,900	14	0		
,, , Wine and Spirits	..	...	50	2	0		
,, , Drugs and Dispensary	...		61	14	10		
,, , Necessaries, Fuel, Lighting, and							
Washing	...	...	760	7	10		
,, Brooms and Cooperage	...	...	44	6	0		
,, Linen and Clothing	...	...	744	8	11		
,, Bed Furniture and Bedding	...	...	100	13	8		
,, Straw	..	...	58	10	0		
,, Cash paid for Ironmongery, Tin, and Earthenware	...	...	200	6	1		
,, Printing, Carriage, and Postage	...	...	95	5	7		
,, Furniture and Sundry Bills	...	...	66	18	5		
,, Messrs. Finch & Lush for a Criminal Patient			40	6	0		
,, Sundry Journies	...	...	7	8	6		
,, Letter Bag and Carrier	...	...	2	1	10		
,, Recapturing Patients who escaped	...	...	4	17	0		
,, Sundry Payments for Carriage and Materials			48	9	7		
,, Patients' Treat	...	...	6	7	0		
,, Expenses Removing Patients when Discharged			16	9	11		
,, Coffins and Funerals	...	...	52	12	6		
,, Superintendent on Account of the Farm	...	291	18	4			
					8,178	9	11
,, County Bills	...	...	227	15	9		
,, Building and Furnishing Account	...		1,888	17	3		
,, Non-Pauper Account (monies refunded)	...		20	14	5		
TOTAL PAYMENTS	...				10,694	15	6
,, Balance on Maintenance Account	...	...	15	11	10		
,, , Non-Pauper Account	...	...	85	15	2		
,, , In Savings Bank on Charity Account			301	14	10		
					403	1	10
					£11,097	17	4

AVERAGE WEEKLY COST OF MAINTENANCE, MEDICINE, CLOTHING,  
AND CARE OF PATIENTS DURING THE YEAR 1866.

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									s.	d.
Provisions	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	8½
Clothing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	8
Salaries and Wages	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	5¼
Necessaries (e.g.) Fuel, Light, Washing, &c.									0	8
Surgery and Dispensary	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0¾
Wine and Spirits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0½
Furniture	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0¾
Bedding	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	1¾
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	4¼
Total Average Weekly Cost per head									7	1¾

Average Weekly Charge on the Parishes	...	...	...	...	7	0
Ditto to other Counties and Boroughs from	...	...	...	...	11s. to 12	6
Ditto for Private Patients from	...	...	...	...	10s. to 14	0

Daily Average Number of Patients 434.

JOHN BROWN,

*Clerk to the Asylum and to the Visitors.*



# GENERAL RULES

FOR THE GOVERNMENT

OF THE

## DORSET COUNTY

# LUNATIC ASYLUMS.



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# GENERAL RULES

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE

## Dorset County Lunatic Asylums.

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### COMMITTEE OF VISITORS.

6 & 17 Vict.,  
cap. 97, § 24.

1. The Committee of Visitors shall meet within one month after their election ; and at such first meeting shall elect a Chairman and appoint a Clerk.

Sect. 25.

2. Notice of the time and place of all meetings shall be given in writing by the Clerk, to each Visitor, on the requirement of the Chairman or two of the Visitors, or the Superintendent ; such notice to be delivered, left, or transmitted seven days at least before the time appointed for the meeting.

Sect. 24.

3. To constitute a Meeting of the Committee, there shall be present not less than three members, except for the purpose of adjournment, which may be made by less than three members.

4. The Committee of Visitors shall meet at

Sect. 61. the principal Asylum once at least in every month, on a day to be from time to time appointed, and shall inspect every part of the Asylum, and, as far as circumstances will permit, see every lunatic therein, and the order and certificate for the admission of every lunatic admitted since the last visitation of the Visitors, and the general books kept in the Asylum, and shall enter in a book kept for that purpose their opinion as to the then condition of the Asylum, and of the patients therein, and also such other statements and suggestions as they may deem expedient, and shall sign such book at every such visit.

5. At the meeting which shall be held next before every Quarter Sessions, the Committee of Visitors shall take into consideration and determine on all contracts, rates of payment, and matters of expenditure relative to the Institution, and perform the duties imposed on them by the Act of the sixteenth and seventeenth Victoria, chapter ninety-seven.

Sect. 61. 6. They or any two of them shall also inspect once at least in every two months the Asylum at Ferston, and as far as circumstances will permit, see every lunatic therein, and shall make such entries in a book kept for that purpose, as are required by the Statute, and specified in the foregoing rule; and in the alternate months the

said Asylum shall be visited by one or more Members of the said Committee.

7. Minutes of the proceedings of all meetings shall be kept and entered by the Clerk of the Visitors, and read at the ensuing meeting.

53. 8. No General Rule shall be altered, nor any New Regulation be made, unless at some Quarterly Meeting, or at some Special Meeting, to be assembled for the purpose, of which seven days' notice, stating the particular object of such meeting, shall be given, and no alteration in the General Rules shall take effect, until it has received the approbation of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

54. 9. The Committee of Visitors shall previously to the month of March in every year, audit the Accounts of the Treasurer and Clerk of such Asylum, and shall report the same to the next General or Quarter Sessions.

10. The Committee of Visitors shall order all such ordinary repairs as may be necessary, and any additions, alterations, or improvements, which to them may seem necessary or proper for the further or better accommodation of the patients, provided that the expense of all such additions, alterations, and improvements, shall not exceed four hundred pounds in any one year.

And provided also that all plans for the same be previously submitted to the Commissioners in Lunacy, and approved by the Secretary of State, pursuant to the Forty-fifth Section of the Act.

Sect. 38.

11. No order for any such repairs, additions, alterations, or improvements, or for the payment of any money for the expenses thereof, where such expenses exceed the sum of one hundred pounds shall be made, unless due notice of the meeting at which the same shall be ordered, and of the intention to determine thereat the question of such expenditure, shall have been given, nor unless three Visitors concur in and sign such order; and where any such expenditure is incurred other than for ordinary repairs, the Visitors shall report the same to the next General or Quarter Sessions.

Sect. 62.

12. The Committee of Visitors shall in every year, lay before the Justices of the County at the Court of General or Quarter Sessions, to be holden next after the twentieth day of December, a report in writing of the state and condition of the two Asylums, (and as to) their sufficiency for the proper accommodation of the number of lunatics for whom it may be requisite to provide accommodation, and as to the management of the Asylums, and the conduct of the Officers and Servants thereof, and the care of the Patients

therein, and the Committee may in such report make such remarks or observations in relation to any matters connected with the Asylums as they may think fit.

## MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

1. He shall be a Member of one of the British Universities, or of the College of Physicians, or of the Apothecaries Company, and also a Member of one of the Royal Colleges of Surgeons, and registered according to the Act.
2. He shall reside in the Principal Asylum at Charminster, and shall give up the whole of his time to the duties of his office, and shall not attend to or engage in any professional or other business or employment, except that of the Asylums, without the consent of the Committee, in writing, to be given specially in each case.
3. The whole superintendence and government of the two Asylums at Charminster and Forston (under the Committee) shall be in his hands, and he shall also have general control over the attendants and servants, with authority to suspend them and hire others in their places on probation, whenever he shall deem it expedient, making an entry in his Journal of every such

suspension and hiring, and reporting in each case to the Committee at their next meeting.

4. He shall be responsible to the Committee for the proper management of the two Establishments, and for the efficient discharge of the duties of all the other Officers and Servants.

5. He shall examine every Patient on admission, and make proper entries relative thereto; and he shall visit all the wards and see all the Patients in the Principal Asylum at least once every day, and in the Forston Asylum at the least on two days in every week.

6. He shall have the direction of the medical, surgical, and moral treatment of all the Patients in both Asylums, and shall take care that such medicines as he may deem proper, be duly administered.

7. He shall classify the Patients of both sexes, and shall regulate and determine at all times on the diet for the sick and infirm Patients, and also he shall from time to time examine and report on the quality of all provisions furnished for the use of the Patients.

8. He shall not absent himself from the Asylum for more than one night without the previous consent of the Chairman, or one of the Committee of Visitors, and during such absence his

duties shall be discharged by the Second Assistant Medical Officer.

& 26 Vict., 111, 34. 9. He shall on the first of January and the first of July in each year, or as near thereto as may be, transmit to the Guardians of every Union, and of every Parish under a Board of Guardians, and the Overseers of every Parish not in a Union, nor under a Board of Guardians, a statement of the condition of every Pauper Lunatic chargeable to such Union or Parish.

10. He shall keep a Journal in which he shall enter the name of every Attendant and Servant whom he shall hire or suspend from duty, together with the date and cause thereof, and also the name of every Patient fit for discharge, or who shall have escaped, and every inquest since the last visit ; such Journal to be laid before the Committee of Visitors at each visitation.

11. He, or the Assistant Medical Officers under his direction, shall keep the Medical Journals and Case Books as required by the Statute, and such books shall from time to time be regularly laid before the Visitors for their inspection and signature.

Sect 65. 12. He shall permit any Physician, Surgeon, or Apothecary, appointed by the Guardians of any Union or Parish, or by the Overseers of any Parish, and also the Guardians of any Union or

Parish, and the Overseers of any Parish not in a Union, whenever they see fit, between the hours of eight in the morning and six in the evening, to visit and examine any or every Pauper Lunatic chargeable to such Union or Parish, provided always, that if he be of opinion that it will be injurious to any Lunatic, (to permit such visit and examination,) he may refuse permission, following the course pointed out in the provisions of the Statute.

25 & 26 Vict.,  
cap. 111,  
sect. 44.

13. He shall in the event of the death of any Patient, transmit to the Coroner of the County, in the form prescribed by the nineteenth section of the 16 & 17 Vict., cap. 96, a statement, signed by himself, of the cause of the death of such Patient, with the name of any person present at such death. In cases of danger or difficulty, he shall have authority to call to his assistance any legally qualified Physician or Surgeon, whose services may be readily available.

### ASSISTANT MEDICAL OFFICER.

1. He shall be duly qualified to practice as a Surgeon and Apothecary, and be registered; he shall be under the control of the Committee of Visitors, and of the Medical Superintendent,

under whose direction he shall perform the various duties of his Office.

2. He shall reside in the Asylum at Forston, and shall devote the whole of his time to the duties assigned to him. He shall visit every ward and see each Patient in the Forston Asylum at least once daily and more often if requisite, and in his visit to the female wards he shall be accompanied by the Matron, or, in her absence, by one of the principal Female Attendants.

3. He shall compound the medicines, and punctually attend to any remedial means prescribed for the Patients, and carefully see that all extras, &c., for the sick and infirm are duly supplied.

4. He shall, subject to the directions of the Superintendent, have authority over the Officers and Servants residing in the Forston Asylum, for the proper care of which, subject as above, he shall be responsible.

5. He shall in all cases of sudden sickness or otherwise, for which the Superintendent shall not have been able to prescribe or give directions, prescribe and prepare such medicines, and give such directions, and take such steps as in his judgment such case may require.

6. In his occasional absence from the Asylum he shall conform to the directions he may receive from the Medical Superintendent as to its duration, and the period of his return.

7. He shall keep a Journal in which he shall enter daily the name of every Patient under medical or surgical treatment, with the nature of their maladies ; the name of every Patient who may have been mechanically restrained or secluded, with the reasons thereof, and the duration of such restraint or seclusion in each case ; the name of every Patient who may have met with accident or injury, with the particulars of the occurrence ; the name of every Attendant, Nurse or Servant, who may have been guilty of misconduct, together with the nature of their offence ; and also all other facts which he may desire to bring under the notice of the Medical Superintendent or the Committee ; and such Journal shall at all times be accessible to the Medical Superintendent, and shall be laid before the Committee of Visitors at each visitation.

## SECOND ASSISTANT MEDICAL OFFICER.

1. He shall be duly qualified to practice as a Surgeon and Apothecary, and be registered ; he

shall be under the control of the Committee of Visitors and of the Medical Superintendent, under whose directions he shall perform the various duties of his office.

2. He shall reside in the Principal Asylum, and shall visit the Patients in the several wards as the Superintendent may from time to time direct; and in his visits to the female wards he shall be accompanied by the Matron, or in her absence, by one of the Principal Female Attendants.

3. In the absence of the Medical Superintendent he shall perform his duties, have authority over the Attendants and Servants, and duly report any misconduct or neglect of duty on their part.

4. He shall compound the medicines, and punctually attend to any remedial means prescribed for the Patients, and carefully see that all extras, &c., for the sick and infirm are duly supplied.

5. In his occasional absence from the Asylum, he shall conform to the directions he may receive from the Medical Superintendent as to its duration, and the period of his return.

## MATRON.

1. There shall be two Matrons, one in each Asylum. They shall be under the control of the Committee of Visitors and of the Medical Superintendent; they shall attend to his directions, and in their respective Asylums, they shall be responsible for the condition of the female wards, and, subject to the Superintendent's directions, shall have control over the Female Attendants and Servants.

2. They shall in their respective Asylums see all the Female Patients and every ward appropriated to their use, at least twice a day, and shall report all illness and casualties and whatever they know to be improper or contrary to order, as soon as the same may occur, to the Medical Superintendent, and in his absence or at the Forston Asylum, to one of the Assistant Medical Officers. They shall superintend the domestic management of all parts of the Asylums where females are employed.

3. They in their respective Asylums, shall superintend the bedding and clothing of the Patients, and shall use their best endeavours to induce the Female Patients to occupy themselves in needle and household work, and other fit employment.

4. They shall particularly attend to the quality of provisions, and superintend the weighing of them when brought by the tradesmen, and see that they are properly cooked and distributed, and that the greatest economy is practised in every department.

5. They shall take care of, and be responsible for the stores and clothing of the Institutions, and report to the Superintendent any deficiency in, or injury done to them.

6. They shall not absent themselves from the Asylums without the sanction of the Medical Superintendent, or one of the Committee of Visitors, and shall conform to his or their instructions relative to such absence.

## CHAPLAIN.

1. The Chaplain shall be in Priest's Orders, and shall be licensed by the Bishop of the Diocese.

2. He or his substitute, approved by the Visitors, shall perform at each Asylum Divine Service, according to the rites of the Church of England, once at least on every Sunday, Christmas Day, and Good Friday, and at such other

times, and also such other services, according to the rites of the Church of England, as the Visitors shall direct.

3. He shall have access to all the wards of the two Asylums at all reasonable times, and after communication with the Superintendent or other Officer for the time being in charge of the Asylum; and it shall be his duty to minister, as far as practicable, to all the Patients, except those, who for special reasons, shall be pointed out to him in writing by the Medical Superintendent.

4. He shall visit any Patient when specially requested in writing by the Medical Superintendent to do so.

5. All the Officers, Patients, Attendants, and Servants of the two Asyiums, with the exception above stated, shall be under his spiritual care.

6. He shall have charge of all the books and periodicals provided for the use of the Patients, and shall circulate the same among them with the sanction of the Medical Superintendent, reporting to the Committee, from time to time, when additional books, &c., are required.

7. He shall form, as far as may be practicable, reading classes for the amusement and instruction

of the Patients, and also shall superintend any schools or places of instruction that may be established.

8. He shall keep a Journal in which he shall enter the hours of his attendance, and such other particulars as he may wish to bring under the notice of the Committee, such Journal to be laid before the Committee at every monthly, or if required, other meeting.

9. He shall present an Annual Report to the Committee at their last meeting in every year, stating the general results of his ministration in the Asylums, and of his intercourse with the Patients.

### CLERK.

t. 1. The Clerk shall keep all books, documents, and instruments which the Committee of Visitors shall be required to keep, or direct to be kept, and shall also keep an account of all monies which shall be received or paid on account of the Asylum, either to or by the Treasurer thereof or otherwise, and shall in the month of March in every year, send an abstract of such account for the year previous, ending on the thirty-first of

December, to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, to the Clerk of the Peace for the County, and to the Commissioners in Lunacy.

2. He shall attend all meetings of the Committee of Visitors, and shall enter in a book provided for that purpose, minutes of all business done and proceedings at such meetings, which minutes shall be signed by the Chairman.

3. He shall lay before the Committee at their quarterly meeting, the accounts for the preceding quarter, showing the expenditure on the maintenance and other accounts, and the balance in hand on the several accounts, either in the bank or elsewhere.

4. He shall keep such registers, and prepare and transmit such abstracts of accounts, and such lists and notices, as are required by the Lunacy Asylums Act, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three, Sections fifty-six, fifty-eight, sixty-three, eighty-nine, ninety-one, ninety-two, and ninety-three; or any other provisions of the said Act, or any other Acts of Parliament.

## TREASURER.

1. All monies received on behalf of the Asylum, except such as may under the authority of the Committee of Visitors be retained in the hands of the Superintendent or any other Officer of the Asylum as a current account, shall be forthwith paid to the Treasurer ; who shall keep and render to the Committee when required an exact account of receipts and payments made by him.

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## GENERAL MANAGEMENT.

1. The person of every Patient (male and female) shall immediately after admission, be carefully examined by the Head Attendant in each division, who shall forthwith report, in writing, to the Superintendent, the bodily condition of the Patient, and especially any bruise, injury, or mark which may have been observed in such examination ; and it shall be the duty of the Superintendent, upon receiving notice of the existence of any recent injury, or apparent bodily disorder, at once himself to make a personal examination of the Patient.

2. The Male and Female Patients shall be kept in separate wards, and no Male Attendant, Servant, or Patient shall be allowed to enter the female wards; nor any female to enter the male wards, except in cases where the Medical Superintendent shall order or direct.

3. During the day, the Male Patients shall be employed, as much as practicable out of doors, in gardening and husbandry; the females in occupations suited to their ability; and as a principle in treatment, endeavours shall be continually used to occupy the minds of the Patients, and induce them to take exercise in the open air, and to promote cheerfulness and happiness among them.

4. That there be at least one Attendant for every twenty-five Patients, who are tranquil or convalescent, and not less than one Attendant for every twelve Patients, who are dirty or refractory.

5. Workshops and tools shall be provided, and artizans and others shall be encouraged to follow their particular callings, and to learn shoemaking, tailoring, and other common and useful trades; and needlework, strawwork, and other suitable employments shall be provided for the women.

6. An ample supply of books and cheap publications of a cheerful nature, in addition to bibles

and prayer books, shall be provided and kept up in case of destruction, and various means of amusement shall be placed at the disposal of the Patients of both sexes.

7. The airing grounds into which the several wards open shall be accessible to the Patients, whenever the weather is favourable.

8. One Attendant shall sleep in, or adjoining, so as to overlook every dormitory, and shall either have a light throughout the night, or the ready means of immediately obtaining one.

9. No dormitory for male patients, except single rooms for single patients, shall contain less than three beds; a space of at least two feet six inches shall be between the beds, and all the patients shall sleep in single beds.

10. No Patient shall be restrained, secluded, or removed from one ward to another, except by Medical authority (or in cases of extreme urgency of which a report must be immediately made to the Medical Superintendent); or kept in restraint or seclusion, longer than is expressly sanctioned by such authority.

11. All the Attendants shall be instructed to treat their Patients kindly and indulgently, and

never to strike or speak harshly to them, and they shall be responsible for their safety, cleanliness and general condition, and for the ventilation proper warmth, and good order of their respective wards.

12. Near relations and friends of the Patients shall be allowed to visit them at certain periods, named in the regulations; but no visitor shall be admitted to any Patient, if the Medical Superintendent shall state in writing, that he considers such visit likely to be injurious to such patient, or otherwise inexpedient.

13. In case of illness of a Patient, or if the friends come from a distant place, or be otherwise unable to come on a week-day, such patient's friends shall be admitted to visit on Sunday during the space of two hours, after morning service, by special leave of the Superintendent.

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14. If any Patient be of a religious persuasion differing from that of the Established Church, a Minister of such persuasion, at the special request of such patient, or his friends, shall, with the consent of the Medical Superintendent of the Asylum, and under such regulations as he shall direct, be allowed to visit such patient at proper and reasonable times.

15. Upon every visit made by a male relation or friend, or by a parish Officer to a female patient, the Matron or a Female Attendant shall accompany the visitor, and remain in the room throughout the interview.

16. On the death of a Patient, notice shall be immediately given by the Clerk, as directed by the said Section ninety-two, and also to one of the nearest relations (if his address be known), and the body shall be delivered to him if requested, but if the body be not removed on the fourth day after death, it shall be buried under the direction of the Superintendent. But should the Medical Superintendent consider earlier interment necessary, this part of the Rule may be dispensed with.

17. No Patient shall pass beyond the grounds of either of the Asylums until discharged by due authority, unless the temporary absence of such Patient be permitted, under the power contained in the seventy-ninth Section of the Lunatic Asylums' Act, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-three; or unless the Medical Superintendent shall give express directions for that purpose, or save in the case of temporary absence authorised under the Regulations of the Visitors, as contemplated by the One hundred and twenty-fourth Section of the Act.

18. Patients, in case of urgency, shall be admitted at any hour; but in ordinary cases they must be sent to the Asylum between the hours of eight in the morning and noon, timely notice should be given to the Medical Superintendent, of the day and hour, when any Patient may be expected to arrive.

JOHN FLOYER,

*Chairman of the Committee of Visitors.*

FEB. 15, 1866.

WHITEHALL,

12th June, 1866.

*Approved—*

G. GREY.







